

From: Berrios, Nivea  
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 2:09 PM  
To: Greenstein, Alex D  
Cc: Krolikowski, Suzanne; Duncan, Annette  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Alex:

My secretary tells me that we can have UPS take care of the boxes and deliver them to you. Is this an option for you? Let me know your address, room and phone number. Once we have this information we might be able to get them to you this week.

Thanks  
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From: Greenstein, Alex D [mailto:GreensteinAD@state.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2015 12:48 PM  
To: Hong, Nadtya; wingrd@state.gov; Finger, Geoffrey T  
Cc: Berrios, Nivea  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Nadtya –

Apologies for the delayed response, I lost track of this in the holiday shuffle. I'd be happy to help send the books this week.

Would Nivea or someone on her staff be able to bring the boxes of books to the State Department later this week? If they could deliver them to the State Department's 21st Street entrance, I could come down and get them and bring them to my office. Don't seal the boxes -- I'll take care of addressing them to Embassy Santiago's pouch address, then get the pouch people to take them. It would be helpful if you provided instructions inside the boxes for which books are for which court and who they should be sent to.

My schedule is pretty clear the rest of this week -- tell me when works for you guys.

Thanks!

Alex

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From: Hong, Nadtya [mailto:Hong.Nadtya@epa.gov]  
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2015 8:23 AM  
To: Greenstein, Alex D; Wing, Robert D; Finger, Geoffrey T  
Cc: Berrios, Nivea  
Subject: Fw: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Hi Alex,

Happy New Year! I just wanted to follow up on this matter and see if we can actually send the books soon. Nivea has the boxes ready and just needs to know how to send to you (please see her message below). Can you help us with this?

Thanks!  
Nadtya

From: Berrios, Nivea  
Sent: Tuesday, November 25, 2014 8:37 AM  
To: Greenstein, Alex D; Hong, Nadtya; wingrd@state.gov; Finger, Geoffrey T  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Dear Alex:

We are finally ready to send the books that will be given to the Environmental Tribunals of Santiago and Valdivia (Chile). We have two boxes ready to send your way. Who should we address them to, should we send them to you? Also, is there any specific identification information we should put in the outside of the boxes (other than perhaps recipient, content, and sender)?

Thanks!

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From: Greenstein, Alex D [http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:GreensteinAD@state.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2014 3:14 PM  
To: Berrios, Nivea; Hong, Nadtya; wingrd@state.gov; Finger, Geoffrey T  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Nivea – the pouch limit is 70 pounds, so I think we should be in OK shape for this. With regard to the

dimensions, the boxes would be 12 inches by 20 inches, correct? That should be able to fit.

Thanks!

Alex

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From: Berrios, Nivea [<http://redirect.state.sbu/?url=mailto:Berrios.Nivea@epa.gov>]  
Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2014 2:20 PM  
To: Greenstein, Alex D; Hong, Nadtya; Wing, Robert D; Finger, Geoffrey T  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Alex:

Thanks for following up on our inquiry. There will be two sets of publications or two separate boxes, one for the Santiago Tribunal and one for the Valdivia Tribunal. Each set consists of 13 books. One set should easily fit into a 12' x 20' box. I do not have a scale in the office but my estimate is that a set is in the 50 pound range . Let me know if you need me to provide a more accurate weight number.

Is this too heavy for diplomatic pouch?

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Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2014 2:00 PM  
To: Hong, Nadtya; wingrd@state.gov; Finger, Geoffrey T  
Cc: Berrios, Nivea  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Nadtya –

How big/heavy are these books? How many are there? If they're not too large/heavy, we could probably send them via diplomatic pouch (no cost) to Embassy Santiago and have them give the books to the relevant judges.

Best,

Alex

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Sent: Wednesday, October 22, 2014 12:17 PM  
To: Wing, Robert D; Finger, Geoffrey T  
Cc: Greenstein, Alex D; Berrios, Nivea  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Can anyone help with this?

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From: Hong, Nadtya  
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2014 2:03 PM  
To: wingrd@state.gov; 'Finger, Geoffrey T'  
Subject: FW: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments  
Importance: High

FYI, in case you can help.

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From: Hong, Nadtya  
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2014 8:36 AM  
To: Greenstein, Alex D  
Subject: FW: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments  
Importance: High

Hi Alex,

I meant to send this to you a while ago, but it fell through the cracks. Do you think State can help us send these books to the environmental tribunals?

Best regards,  
Nadtya

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From: Berrios, Nivea  
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 12:40 PM  
To: Hong, Nadtya  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Nadtya:

The Board has a surplus of its published decisions (in bound volumes or books) that can be given to the Chilean Tribunals as part of the work we are doing with them under the Chile FTA. Can you check with the State Department to see if they can arrange the delivery of the books?  
Thanks.

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From: Hong, Nadtya  
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 9:39 AM  
To: Berrios, Nivea  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Let me know how much it would be and I'll take a look.

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From: Berrios, Nivea  
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 9:38 AM  
To: Hong, Nadtya  
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Thanks. I'll check with OGC.

If we are able to donate the books, would it be possible to use funds from the program to ship the books?

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From: Hong, Nadtya  
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 9:12 AM  
To: Berrios, Nivea  
Cc: Krolikowski, Suzanne  
Subject: RE: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

I don't think it's an issue, but you should ask the ethics contact in EAB to make sure.

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From: Berrios, Nivea  
Sent: Thursday, September 25, 2014 9:07 AM  
To: Hong, Nadtya  
Cc: Krolikowski, Suzanne  
Subject: Inquiry about gifts to foreign governments

Nadtya:

The Study Tour was a success. The Chilean delegation was engaged, curious and seemed to have enjoyed the robust program the EAB and DOJ put together for them. We finally are able to fill out the activity report with something more than "waiting for the tribunals to be created" or "the ST was postponed"!

I have a question for you regarding gifts to foreign governments. The Santiago delegation asked for a

copy of our bound decisions, which consist of 14 volumes (or books), where the Board formally publishes its final decisions.

We are happy to donate a set of these books to each of the tribunals, but would like to know if there are any rules on gifts of “government property” to foreign governments that might prevent this donation. Do you or anybody else in your organization know if we can go ahead with the donation?

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